REMARKS

Upon entry of this amendment, independent claim 1 with dependent claims 3 and 4 and independent claim 5 with dependent claim 8 will be present in the application.

Claims 1, 3-5 and 8 were objected to. Claims 1 and 5 have been amended as suggested in the Office Action of September 22, 2004.

Claims 1, 3-5 and 8 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-7 of U.S. 6,705,561. A terminal disclaimer is filed herewith to overcome said rejection.

In view of the above-directed amendments and the proceeding remarks, prompt and favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

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